

BIG IMPROVEMENT IS SHOWN IN THE MAJOR LEAGUES

BASEBALL TEAMS' GOOD SHOWING

Nationals Win Nineteen and Americans Eighteen in Pre-Season Games.

ONE TIE CONTEST

American League Shows Big Improvement Over Last Year.

NEW YORK, April 21.—American league baseball teams made a much better showing in the recent ante-season interleague games against the National clubs than was the case a year ago. Out of the fifty-odd contests scheduled during the preliminary and training season just closed, thirty-eight were played, of which the National league teams won nineteen, the Americans eighteen and one ended in a tie. Last spring thirty-nine games

were played, of which the senior league clubs captured twenty-four and the Ban Johnson clansmen fifteen.

The improvement of the American league combinations in these early season contests is shown in other ways aside from the winning of games. A year ago the Nationals scored twenty-nine more runs than their rivals; this spring the margin was but three. In the batting the junior league players outdid their opponents by a total of fifteen hits, while twelve months ago the Nationals had piled up a lead of nineteen safeties at the end of the play. In the error column the final figures show that the Americans made seventy-seven to the Nationals seventy-five. In 1916 the total was Americans 58, Nationals 61.

The results of all the games played this spring, together with hits, runs and errors per game, with totals for the past two years follow:

March 18—

Brooklyn Nationals..... R. H. E.

Boston Americans..... 7 12 2

March 22—

Philadelphia Americans..... 4 10 2

March 23—

Boston Nationals..... 2 5 0

Philadelphia Americans..... 1 6 5

March 24—

Boston Nationals..... 5 9 5

Philadelphia Americans..... 8 9 3

March 25—

Cincinnati Nationals..... 1 3 5

Washington Americans..... 5 7 2

March 26—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 11 14 0

Boston Americans..... 2 8 1

March 28—

Boston Nationals..... 3 4 0

New York Americans..... 0 4 2

March 29—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 5 11 4

Boston Americans..... 7 8 1

March 30—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 1 4 1

Boston Americans..... 0 8 0

March 31—

Boston Nationals..... 5 6 3

New York Americans..... 7 10 2

Cincinnati Nationals..... 5 9 2

Washington Americans..... 4 7 3

March 30—

Cincinnati Nationals..... 5 8 3

Washington Americans..... 4 9 4

March 31—

Boston Nationals..... 3 9 0

New York Americans..... 1 5 2

March 31—

New York Nationals..... 1 6 6

Detroit Americans..... 4 7 1

March 31—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 4 4 2

Boston Americans..... 10 13 1

March 31—

Cincinnati Nationals..... 4 5 2

Washington Americans..... 5 10 10

March 31—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 1 9 1

Boston Americans..... 7 12 2

March 31—

Boston Nationals..... 0 4 2

New York Americans..... 1 6 1

March 31—

St. Louis Nationals..... 8 10 1

St. Louis Americans..... 2 7 3

March 31—

New York Nationals..... 5 8 0

Detroit Americans..... 3 8 2

April 1—

St. Louis Nationals..... 0 4 0

St. Louis Americans..... 0 2 1

April 1—

Pittsburgh Nationals..... 1 7 1

Cleveland Americans..... 4 8 3

April 2—

New York Nationals..... 8 12 1

Detroit Americans..... 6 9 1

April 2—

Boston Nationals..... 4 9 1

New York Americans..... 3 11 1

April 3—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 1 4 5

Boston Americans..... 5 9 2

April 3—

New York Nationals..... 6 11 1

Detroit Americans..... 8 12 0

April 3—

Brooklyn Nationals..... 13 20 2

Boston Americans..... 5 10 3

St. Louis Nationals..... 5 8 2

St. Louis Americans..... 6 8 2

Boston Nationals..... 6 8 2

New York Americans..... 5 10 6

Detroit Americans..... 5 10 6

April 5—

New York Nationals..... 5 9 2

Detroit Americans..... 6 8 2

April 6—

St. Louis Nationals..... 6 11 1

St. Louis Americans..... 1 4 3

April 6—

New York Nationals..... 3 6 2

Detroit Americans..... 1 5 2

April 7—

Philadelphia Nationals..... 2 4 1

Washington Americans..... 3 7 1

April 7—

Cincinnati Nationals..... 1 5 2

Cleveland Americans..... 7 13 1

April 8—

New York Nationals..... 1 5 1

Detroit Americans..... 6 10 1

1916.

G. P. W. L. R. H. E.

National..... 39 24 15 154 309 61

American..... 39 16 24 125 290 58

1917.

G. P. W. L. R. H. E.

National..... 35 19 18 163 300 75

American..... 35 18 19 160 315 77

*One tie game.

Two Years' Total.

G. P. W. L. R. H. E.

National..... 77 43 33 317 609 136

American..... 77 33 43 285 605 136

*One tie game.

PLANS OF ATHLETIC CLUBS ARE UPSET

Plans of the Los Angeles Athletic club to hold three amateur Athletic Union swimming championship events have been upset and, as a result, probably only one—the 150 yard women's backstroke, will be held.

Les Henry of the Athletic club announced this event would be held to give Miss Dorothy Burns an opportunity to compete for the national title, but the club probably would forfeit the right to stage the plunge for distance and junior championship event.

THE SMITHS ARE LEADING



GEORGE SMITH.

The Smiths are again heavily represented in the major leagues as the 1917 pennant races get under way. The Smiths lead the representatives of all other family trees, a distinction which for many years was held by the Joneses. George Smith, who first won fame at Columbia University, is one of the new players to be added to the New York Giants. In Brooklyn is another pitching Smith, the same being Sherrod Smith, who pitched such a sensational ball in the world's series last October. On the same team is Jimmy Smyth, but the difference in spelling keeps him out of the family reunion. Jack Smith and Fred Smith take orders from Miller Huggins, of the Cardinals, and J. Carlyle Smith operates at third base for the Boston Braves. Elmer Smith is one of the regular outfielders of Washington, and "Poppy" Smith is a pitcher for Cleveland.

Kilbane Finds Too Many Husky Men In Heavy Class

The lambasting that Johnny Kilbane received from a rugged Buffalo lightweight known as Rocky Kansas has apparently caused a change in the plans of the featherweight champion to enter the lightweight class. Kansas made it hot for Kilbane from the first clang of the gong and upset the Cleveland in one of the early rounds.

It was this experience that seems to have impelled Kilbane to refuse to concede nine pounds to Young Murphy, a novice of Syracuse, and the resultant announcement by Kilbane's manager that the champion will indefinitely remain in the featherweight division, as he does not care to concede weight to lousy opponents. Kilbane, however, is on record with an offer to meet Welsh in a bout for the lightweight title at 135 pounds, although he now says he is not anxious to go on with the affair.

In fact, Kilbane has come to realize that there are too many troublesome lightweights in the field at the present time. Kilbane also had a very unpleasant experience with Ritchie Mitchell, the Milwaukee contender for the title, and will keep away from the boisterous 135 pounders.

MUCH EXPECTED OF GEO. SMITH

Ferdie Schupp made a great record last year and is a capable southpaw. McGraw expects a lot of Jim Middleton, the pride of Louisville. If George Smith isn't a better pitcher than either of the two then it's all wrong, Rube, it's all wrong.

Smith has an ideal pitching build. He has much of the pitching style and equipment of Christy Mathewson. He is much the same type of a pitcher, as Big Six, a young man of intelligence who studies his work all the time and does not suffer himself to be distracted.

The Columbia boy has the mental equipment and education to make good. He chose to follow a baseball career and is making as complete a study of pitching as he would of law or medicine.

McGraw never has to tell him twice how to do a thing. He studies batters and follows directions when their weaknesses are pointed out to him. He fields his position well, and has learned the art of keeping base runners close to the bag.

WHY SHOULD OUR COLLEGES PUT BAN ON CLEAN SPORTS?

Many of our leading colleges are sending out edicts that athletics will be abolished in case of war. Just why such an announcement should be made only once more goes to prove we go off half-cocked in our enthusiasm. Why stop athletics? What other methods will condition boys so fast and so thoroughly, making them fit for trenches and hard work, as athletic training at school? Yet, we read reports almost daily about the abolition of sport in the colleges.

The generals and those having enthusiasm in charge are of quite a different opinion than the athletic faculties of the colleges. The army and navy wants athletics continued so that when the youngsters enlist or are drafted they will be physically fit for the hardships warfare entails. It is to be hoped those having such matters in charge will look at it in the common sense sort of way and not allow false sentiment to force them to take the wrong track in the present emergency.

Tim Hurst Has Claim To Medal for Real Display of Nerve

"I never saw an umpire display more nerve in a critical situation than the late Tim Hurst did one day in Cleveland years ago," said John McGraw.

"I was with the Orioles, and at the time we had to dress in a shack under the grandstand, adjoining another in which the Cleveland team dressed. In the Cleveland dressing room a small space had been set apart for Hurst to dress in, which led to a rather ticklish situation.

"In an important game we had Cleveland beaten, 2 to 0, when they went to bat in the ninth and filled the bases with two out. Pat Tebeau was at bat and he jumped out in front of the batter's box to smash a slow drop which the pitcher delivered to him, driving the ball to the fence in left center for three bases. The runners scored and it looked as if the game was over, but Wilbert Robinson, who was catching for us, called Hearst's attention to the fact that Tebeau had stepped out of his box, and Tim called him out, at which there was a near riot.

"The Cleveland players were in a rage and threatened Hurst with all kinds of bodily harm, but Tim calmly walked down to their dressing room, donned his clothes and as calmly walked out without so much as glancing at the home team. It took real courage to do that, but Tim never flinched."

CHICAGO PREXY AND COACH UNDERGO DRILL

CHICAGO, April 20.—Military fever reached its height at the University of Chicago yesterday when President Harry Pratt Judson and Coach Staggs drilled for two hours in the rain with members of the baseball and football squads. The squads were armed with old-fashioned muskets. President Judson by reason of former training in the militia was corporal.

Four star athletes at the University of Chicago enlisted in the marines today. Philbrick Jackson, 1916 football champion, was at first rejected, but succeeded in passing a second physical examination. Al Lindauer, conference tennis champion, Max Sellers, guard on the football team, and Hal Jesche, champion of the wrestling squad, also were accepted.

Municipal Swimming Pool to Be Built At Modesto

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—The growing importance attached to a knowledge of how to swim is further evidenced by a movement on foot at Modesto, Cal., for a municipal swimming pool. In this Modesto is following in the footsteps of a half score of smaller California cities which already have plans for the instruction of boys and girls as to methods both of self-preservation and the rescue of others in the water. Records of attendance at these various pools show that the elders, both men and women, are taking advantage of the exercise and recreation which they afford. Riverbank, another California town, also has planned a pool. The majority of these pools are open-air plunges.

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THREE GREAT DIAMOND STARS OF 1916 HAVE RETIRED FROM ACTIVE SERVICE

Lajoie, Hans Wagner, Mathewson and Johnny Evers to Quit Baseball—Matty Will Be Seen as Coach This Summer.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Three great stars of the diamond who began the season of 1916 in active competition with the best talent in the game have retired from active service, and a fourth may be passing. The graceful Lajoie has departed to labor in other fields, the grotesque Wagner has quit the game, the stalwart Mathewson has laid down his pitching sceptre, and now they say that Johnny Evers is about through. Word comes from Boston that Evers may never play again because of neuritis, which has affected his throwing arm.

New and brilliant luminaries are constantly flashing across the baseball firmament, but no season has ever produced four such men as Lajoie, Wagner, Mathewson and Evers. The game sustains a great loss when four such men drop out in one year. Matty will be seen in uniform this summer, but he will appear only on the coaching lines. He is done as a pitcher and will hurl only an occasional inning. Evers has been on the verge of quitting for the last two years. He is not physically fit to stand the strain of big league baseball. His indomitable spirit has carried him far beyond where the average man stops. Johnny went into training with the Braves this spring, but was injured in one of the early games. It is said that one of his arms is several inches shorter than the other, a condition resulting from a nervous affliction.

TEN ONE-DAY GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Events Arranged by Women's Metropolitan Golf Association for Spring Season.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Ten one-day tournaments have been arranged by the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association for what is known as its spring season. Meetings of the kind in question will be frequent from May 1 to the end of June. The plan is to follow last year's conditions; that is, have net prizes for the handicap winners, while those making the lowest gross scores will be credited with points, so that at the end of the season the contestant with the greatest number of points to her credit will be presented with a gross trophy. The schedule is as follows:

May 1—Dunwoode Country club.
May 8—Scarsdale Golf and Country club.
May 15—Montclair Golf club.
May 22—Essex County Country club.
May 29—Ardley club.
May 31—Fox Hills Golf club.
June 4 and 5—Women's Eastern Golf association championship at Apawamis Country club.
June 6, 7 and 8—Inter-city matches for Griscom cup at Apawamis Country club.
June 12—Great Neck Golf club.
June 17—Glen Ridge Country club.
June 18-22—Piping Rock club, women's metropolitan championship.
June 26—Sivanoy Golf club.
June 29—Hackensack Golf club.

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RACING FANS ARE INTERESTED

A. K. Macomber's Extensive Raising Establishment Includes Derby Candidates.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 21.—Local trainers and racing enthusiasts are much interested in A. K. Macomber's extensive racing establishment, which includes Derby candidates. North Star III, the English colt that cost Mr. Macomber a good-sized fortune, is one of the lot. This son of Sunstar and Angello was regarded as the best 2-year-old seen in England last year, and his record in that country makes him the most formidable of the eastern owned aspirants for the \$20,000 purse to be decided the afternoon of May 12.

His victory at Newmarket last fall over Mollie Desmond, a daughter of the celebrated Pretty Polly, in the Middle Park plate, alone entitles him to serious consideration.

In that race he carried 126 pounds and won in a drive, after coming from behind. It is generally conceded that had the son of Sunstar remained in England he would rule a winter book favorite in the forthcoming English Derby. As it is, North Star III is at present regarded with much favor to win this year's Kentucky Derby. According to reports from Charleston he has wintered in splendid shape and will be ready for his first race on American soil when the bugle calls the horses to the post for the Churchill Downs classic.

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OLD-TIMER ISN'T SWEET ON THOSE MODERN STARS

Just to show what folks thing of our baseball teams, we wish to relate a little story Hugh Jennings told us recently. Seemingly one of the big league clubs was playing at San Antonio this spring. It was an exhibition game with the San Antonio club of the Texas league. Who should be present as a spectator but one of the members of the old Baltimore club. The teams played one of those ragged games, so common in the spring. The old-timer watched, and then, towards the end of the game, Jennings went over and shook hands with him, asking: "Well, what do you think of the team?" The old-timer stopped to collect his thoughts a moment, and then blurted out: "If that's a ball club, then there ain't any more good ball players."

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